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## **PRO-LIFE NATIONAL DELEGATES NEEDED**

As you know, we could end up with a nominee who does not support the principles in the pro-life platform plank. At the very least, we expect strong efforts to weaken the plank. For instance, our pro-abortion opponents have for years wanted to remove the Party's historic commitment to the adoption of a human life amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

Next year, more than ever, we need your help to insure the re-adoption of the pro-life plank.

In most states, candidates for National Delegate are required to fill out a filing form and pay a fee. Please contact your State Party headquarters **now** to learn what you should do to run for Delegate.

The Republican National Committee website has contact information for each State Party.

## **REPUBLICAN CONVENTIONS OFFER RESOLUTIONS OPPORTUNITY**

Republicans will be attending their county and state conventions in the coming months. The conventions offer the opportunity for grassroots pro-life activists to offer resolutions that will, if passed, become part of their State Party platform.

Please consider presenting the resolutions below at your precinct, county, and state Republican conventions. It is very important that the platform of your State Party mirror the principles that have been expressed in the Republican National Platforms since 1976.

If you are not familiar with the procedure involved in presenting platform resolutions, please call to your state party headquarters for that information.

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## **A RESOLUTION ON THE RIGHT TO LIFE**

The Republican Party of (insert name of State) believes that all innocent human life must be respected and safeguarded from conception to natural death: therefore,

The unborn child has a fundamental individual right to life, which cannot be infringed.

The Party affirms its support for a human life amendment to the U.S. Constitution and we endorse making clear that the Fourteenth Amendment's protection applies to unborn children.

We oppose the use of public revenues for abortion or organizations that advocate it.

We urge the reversal of *Roe v. Wade*.

We affirm our support for the appointment of judges at all levels of the judiciary who respect traditional family values and the sanctity of human life.

We are opposed to euthanasia and assisted suicide.

We oppose the non-consensual withholding of care or treatment because of disability, age or infirmity.

We oppose any and all research involving the killing of human embryos.

We support a ban on the cloning of human embryos.

We support a total ban on the harvesting of embryonic stem cells, while we fully encourage research using adult cells.

## **A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF ETHICAL STEM CELL RESEARCH**

### **Embryonic Stem Cell Experiments**

Human embryos are genetically complete human beings at the earliest stages of development, and as such, they deserve respect and protection. In terms of scientific research, human embryos are human subjects who, under the Nuremberg Code of medical ethics, may not be subjected to medical or scientific experiments unless those experiments will benefit them, and will not expose them to the threat of injury or death.

We therefore resolve to appeal to the President and to Congress to institute a total ban on stem cell research that involves the killing of human embryos.

Instead, we urge them to encourage scientific research that utilizes adult stem cells and/or stem cells derived from umbilical cord blood and placentas that are recovered after live births because, unlike embryonic stem cells, they have produced positive results in the treatment and cure of disease without violating fundamental principles of morality and ethics.